Whether you own a "home in the woods" or many acres of land, this "out in the woods" educational event is packed with practical "how-to" information that you need to know.

Stewarding land is both rewarding and challenging. Successful management is due to the decisions you make and the actions you take. Attending the Forest Owners Field Day will prepare you to plan and execute sound practices, enabling you to accomplish your management objectives, reduce risks, and protect your financial investment.

This event will include classes and activities lead by experts in forest health, wildlife habitat, soils, fire protection, and timber and nontimber forest products. Presenters will be available to answer questions specific to your needs and situation. Youth activities are available throughout the day!

Come join the more than 10,500 satisfied families who have already experienced these Field Day events across the state. If you think forests are vital to the quality of life in Idaho and Washington, please pass this information along to your neighbor! This flyer is available at http://forestry.wsu.edu.

Absentee forest owners with property anywhere east of the Cascades will find this event highly beneficial.

Event Sponsors and Cooperators

Washington State University Extension University of Idaho Extension Washington Dept. of Natural Resources Idaho Department of Lands **USDA Forest Service USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service** Spokane Conservation District Kalispel Tribe of Indians **Family Forest Foundation** Sustainable Forestry Initiative American Tree Farm System **Association of Consulting Foresters** Society of American Foresters **Idaho Forest Owners Association** Washington Farm Forestry Association Stihl Northwest Papé Machinery

Schedule

- A detailed schedule of presentations will be available on June 1 at forestry.wsu.edu or your local WSU Extension office.
- Gates open at 8 am.
- Presentations at 9 am, 10 am, 11 am, 1:30 pm, 2:30 pm, and 3:30 pm.

About the Site

- Parking adjacent to presentation stations.
- Portable restrooms, coffee, refreshments, and drinking water are available on-site.
- Seating provided at presentation stations and lunch area.
- Walking short distances over nearly-level forested terrain is required. Dress for the weather and wear sturdy footwear.
- There will be vendors and displays.

Lunch

 On-site BBQ lunch to benefit school clubs and sports (\$10). Must be ordered no later than June 13. Or, pack a lunch.

Directions to Field Day Site

Horsmann Hills Farm Residence of Bob and Ruth Erickson 38305 N Starr Rd Newport, WA

 From E. Blanchard RD/ Blanchard Elk RD. go North on Starr RD. Site is approximately 23 miles east of Deer park, 20 miles south of Newport, and 13 miles west of Spirit Lake.

Follow the signs!

Information

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FOREST OWNERS FIELD DAY TOPICS

- Bark Beetles and Defoliators—Rapid tree damage and death can occur due to an infestation of bark beetles or defoliating insects. Learn about symptoms and signs of damaging pests in order to maintain healthy trees.
- Chainsaw Safety and Maintenance (2 hours)—This hands-on safety program will teach you life and limb saving techniques, as well as how to care for your engine, chain, and other components.
- Common Noxious Weeds and Their Control— Protect the productivity of your forestland from the ravages of noxious weed incursion. Learn how to identify and control common weed species on forest and range lands.
- Controlling Wildlife Damage—Just about the time your trees are too big for voles to girdle, deer to browse down, and porcupines to chew out the tops, a bear comes along and kills it. Learn tools for protecting your trees from seedling to saw log.
- Forest Health—Learn how to identify and manage your forest in the presence of insects, diseases, and other problems. Attend the Hands-on session and take home a nifty tool for assessing forest health risk!
- Forestland Safety and Security—What you must know to keep yourself and your land safe from the bad guys running around out there. Topics include trespass, dumping, theft, dope labs and grows, and other hazardous situations.
- Forestry Taxes: Current Use Property Taxation and Timber Excise Taxes—Tips on how to reduce the tax burden on your forestland, and the taxes due after selling timber.
- Hands-on Forest Health Assessment—Learn how to determine if your forest stands are predisposed to insects, diseases, and other damage agents using a simple tool—and take the tool home with you!
- Introduction to Forest Ownership with "Forest Dan"—Are you a new forestland owner, or would you like some general information on where to go for help? This orientation is a great place to start and get questions answered.
- Landowner Assistance Programs—Want to take a walk in YOUR woods with a professional forester and/or wildlife biologist? Want to learn about ways of significantly reducing the cost of obtaining a written management plan and implementing practices that meet your objectives? Come learn from a variety of service agencies that REALLY ARE here to help.

- Measuring Trees (2 hours)—Learn how to measure the heights and diameters of your trees and determine the density and volume of your forest to help meet your objectives.
- Native American Uses of the Land—A variety of plants, animals, and other materials have sustained the lives and customs of Native Americans for thousands of years. Learn how to identify, use, cultivate, protect, and share these important cultural resources.
- **Protecting Your Forest from Wildfire**—Learn what you can do to protect your forest using traditional forestry practices, which provide multiple benefits for you and your forest.



- Protecting Your Home from Wildfire—It's the "little things" that generally lead to home ignitions—needles in the gutters, building materials, unscreened vents, etc. Fire brands can fly through the sky for thousands of feet, so even if you've done all the right things to reduce wildfire hazard on your own land, your home may still be at risk. Learn what you can do to protect your home from wildfire.
- Realities of Selling Timber and Working with Consulting Foresters—Thinking about logging? What is your fair share? Is a handshake good enough? There's much more to a successful timber sale than meets the eye. Speak to professionals who can prepare forest management plans, oversee contractors, and negotiate sales in your best interest.
- Shiitake Mushroom Culture (2 hours)—Interested in learning how to successfully grow shiitake mushrooms? Learn how to do it the right way from an expert.

Some topics may change. Youth activities available all day!

- Site Preparation, Reforestation, and Early Plantation Care—Includes how to prepare your site, seedling selection, planting technique, and follow up care to help ensure survival and growth.
- Thinning and Pruning—Even the trees you've planted can compete between themselves. Learn how to keep them properly spaced and healthy. Also, learn to use pruning to improve wood quality, wildfire resistance, and the attractiveness of your forest. Learn about tools of the trade for thinning and pruning.
- Tree and Shrub Identification—Learn the most frequently encountered woody plants in your forest, focusing on trees and shrubs.
- Tree Falling, Bucking, and Chain Sharpening Demonstration (2 hours)—Take this class to gain skill with, and respect for, your chainsaw. This wonderful and capable tool is the key to most forest operations, but while incredibly useful, can be wasteful or dangerous. Beginners and skilled users will learn straightforward techniques for felling trees in all situations, keeping your saw sharp and useful, and getting the most work done in a day...all without injury!
- Tree Root Rot Identification and Management— Identify common root rots and learn critical methods for protecting your trees from damaging and treekilling root diseases.
- Understanding and Enhancing Riparian Forests and Fish Habitat—Learn about streamside plantings to improve fish and wildlife habitat, protect water quality, and improve fish passage under roads on your property. Get information on financial assistance available to implement these improvements.
- Using and Selling Native Plant Products from Your Forest—There's a lot more on your timberland than just trees for lumber. Get keyed in to opportunities for floral greens, essential oils, herbs, mushrooms, and understand how to recognize opportunities for personal use and to sell.
- Using GPS to Navigate and Manage Land—Learn how to make your GPS a useful tool to use on your property. Subjects include applications of a GPS, types of appropriate GPS devices, how to gather GPS data, and what to do with the data. Bring your own GPS, or use one provided during the session.
- Wildlife Habitat Talk and Walk—Take a stroll with a forest wildlife biologist to learn simple, effective strategies for improving conditions for wildlife and integrating their needs into your forestry activities.

Forest Owners Field Day

REGISTRATION FORM

SAVE \$10 before June 13, 2014!

- Advanced registration fee is \$20 per person, \$30 for a family of two or more. Registration on the day of the event is \$30 per person, \$40 for a family of two or more.
- Please return registration form with fee (check made payable to "Field Day") by Friday, June 13, to:

WSU Extension 400 Washington Street Wenatchee, WA 98801 Phone: (509) 667-6540

• Refunds available until the day of the event.

Name:	
Address:	
City:	
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Daytime phone:	
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Individual registration/\$20 each	\$
Family/\$30 group	\$
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